

CITY TAKING ON FESTIVE AIR AS PRELIMINARY TO THE STATE FAIR

Decorations Practically All in Place on Downtown Streets and Concessionaires Are Setting Up Their Stands.

GROUNDS PROTECTED FROM MENACE OF CONFLAGRATION

Entries Pouring in, Performers on the Ground, and Everything Going Forward at High Speed at the Exposition.

Preliminary to the opening of the thirty-sixth annual New Mexico state fair here tomorrow, all Albuquerque is taking on a gala atmosphere this morning. Last night concessionaires began setting up their stands and booths on the downtown streets and this morning the work is going on with renewed vigor. Merry-go-rounds, cake racks, wheels, "race-tracks," hamburger stands and all the other attendant features of a carnival or a fair are being set up, and by tonight it is likely that everything will be in place, ready for the formal opening tomorrow afternoon.

The downtown streets have had quite a festive air for the last few days, the spectators having strung huge flags on trees across the streets and the work of decorating store fronts having commenced as early as Tuesday. Local state deputations are coming with each other to produce the best in the way of decorative effects and the results are pleasing to the extreme.

The Queen Sobe Ball.

Beneath the gaudy bunting a dozen or more begin heralding Third street from Central as credit仰ings for the Queen Sobe ball, which is to be a feature of the fair and which promises to be one of the events looked forward to with great interest in the Montezuma Hall now. This ball is the handiwork of a committee of members of the young set in Albuquerque which has been for its preparation. There will

be some talk going the rounds to the effect that this ball would be something on the rowdy order but the personnel of the committee gives ample assurance that this will not be the case.

Today and tomorrow morning the various corps of employees are to report at the fair grounds to receive instruction in their duties, be checked in with tickets and perform the other preliminary details of their positions. This gives us the grounds after seven to ten hours of Thomas M. Dill, who handled them very successfully at several earlier fairs. As far as possible university students have been employed by the fair officials, on the principle that it is better to help the man that is trying to help himself. Some of these boys will work as gatekeepers, a few as ticket sellers, and some as watchmen.

Crowds Coming In.

The information bureau in the V. M. C. A. building was opened yesterday and Patrick O'Conor, who has charge of it, reports that a considerable number of fair visitors already have arrived in the city. The Santa Fe's one car rate for the round trip went into effect yesterday and with it the crowds began coming in. The bureau has everything working smoothly and announces itself able to care for a larger crowd than ever has visited Albuquerque before.

The first entries for the poultry show have been in the grounds and in place for two days. The first birds to arrive came all the way from Pasadena, Cal., and enough others have arrived since to turn the poultry department into a bazaar of caskets and boxes. J. D. Nodgrass, superintendent of this department, is out with his crew on and is impersonating a hard working man with great success. He has every coop in place, every bird that has arrived so far placed in its coop and all his entry tags made out. The real work in his department will be over about Wednesday, the judging commencing Tuesday.

To Park Automobiles.

Automobile parks at the grounds this year will be fenced off, in fact they are fenced off now. One is outside the ground and the other just inside the vehicle entrance. Beyond the fence of these parks no vehicle of any kind may go. A parking fee of 25 cents, covering the cost of watching to protect the cars from theft, is charged for each automobile. It formerly had been intended to park all automobiles outside the grounds, but it was felt that it would be more satisfactory to the owners of cars if they were permitted to park them inside and this will be done in all cases unless the large number of cars arriving necessitates the use of the outside park. Of course, as that event a watchman will be placed in this park.

Arrangements have been made for the sale of single box seats at afternoon and night programs in the fair to those who want them, as long as the small limited space lasts. Tickets will be at the standard, with the price also to be added to the program notably an Indian dance at the fair grounds Thursday night.

More sheep entries were received yesterday, the total number of exhibits in line for this department indicating that this section, until yesterday the most backward of the live stock division, would be at least in line with the others.

Mrs. Hayward's Funeral.

Santa Fe, Sept. 23.—The funeral of Mrs. J. P. Hayward took place this morning from the cathedral. Vicar General Antonio Muñoz began officiating. Interment was made in Rosario cemetery. The Merchants association, of which Mr. Hayward is president, attended in a body, and the stores were closed during the funeral. The pallbearers were W. E. Goss, James R. Ford, Thomas White, W. L. Ellsworth, J. B. Wood and F. E. Gorrie.

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LIFE OF COWBOY PREACHER HAS ITS COMPENSATIONS

Rev. Hall Relates Many Wild Experiences of His Work on Plains; Often Holds Services Sitting in Saddle.

SANTA FE, Sept. 23.—The visitations and compensations of a cowboy-preacher in Texas and New Mexico were vividly set forth today by Rev. Hall of Indianapolis, attending the Presbyterian session. He told visitors he and wife had been living the way to the hearts of the men in the eastern plains in many of them riding cattle with them, lousing them, methering around the chuck wagons in the evening and joining in the sports, getting their point of view and the like. Often he preaches sitting in the saddle, with a score or two of cowboys on their horses gathered round about him, reverently holding their bibles in their hands. He has won prizes in bronco busting and is skillful in throwing a steer as any cowboy. He dresses like them when in the field and joins their outfit, living with them in camp for days and days and then riding miles and miles to the next camp to hold services in some shanty or with or in the open.

Cowboys Generous.

He finds the cowboys generous, open-hearted, quick of wit and understanding and willing to give for the better things of the spirit. Once in a while, of course, he is confronted with difficult problems.

Not so long ago he started a little congregation in eastern New Mexico. It was the first service held and unexpectedly, from among the hearers stood up and asked to be baptized. It was the minister's first baptism, also for he had just been ordained, and the shock in which the service was being held had no baptismal font or results. A basin and a dipper were hauled out of a saddle standing outside and with them the baptism was performed.

Is Knocked Down.

As the minister stepped outside of the church, he was knocked down by a big bucky man who shrieked in a rage, "What business did you have to baptize my wife?" The minister recovering his voice began shouting out words with his lips for he is a player lover and soon had the big fellow crying for mercy. Two weeks later the man, too, asked to be baptized.

At another time in Lincoln county when starting services in a shack, he noticed his congregation turning their backs to the open door constantly and grumbling. This time, however, a cowboy tried to raise a goat, which was barking toward the church door. The minister quietly closed his Bible, pronounced the benediction and before the congregation had realized what had happened, he was riding twenty miles to the next preaching place. The following Sunday he returned and found the edifice crowded; his hearers were most attentive, and the congregation from then on grew with leaps and bounds. But strange to say, not a single member of the congregation has ever referred to the incident when the minister went on a strike because the congregation wouldn't listen to him.

COWBOYS' ROUNDUP AT TUCUMCARI TO ATTRACT BEST TALENT IN U. S.

TUCUMCARI, N. M., Sept. 23.—Some of the best bronco riders in the world will enter the contests in the First Annual Cowboys' Roundup to be held in Tucumcari, N. M., October 1, 2 and 3. The executive committee has arranged an additional event to be known as a "saddle" race, riding contest, with a purse of \$100.

Prairie Little Allen has wired that he will come here and enter this contest. He recently won the world's championship title for boys from New York City in the Stanley rodeo, and, second place in the world's youth rodeo in Garden City, Kas. Her brother, Al Allen, also will be here. He is famous as a bronc rider, many seeing him after bullfights.

This Allen, who broke the world's record five seconds in the relay race at Las Vegas, who won the relay race at Tucumcari, his time at Las Vegas was two miles in 4 minutes, 1 seconds. A contract has been closed with "Buckaroo" to build steel ranches, also from the plan of an automatic bucking horse, is well known all over cowboy land as an expert rider, rider and bullfighter. Twiss, Dark, another former bronc rider, has sent word that he will be here.

The American Concert Band has been engaged to entertain the guests during the roundup and those who are in position to know acknowledge that there are no celebrities in town with all of the names given for public lots, stall buyers, and who know how to handle broncos, etc. This will make a smash on the streets in the morning and girls who depend on the ground floor for action. The popular band shows will be staged in the center of the city and a concert will be given at Second and University starting at 8 o'clock.

Albuquerque's first rodeo is being organized held in the opera house and consisting of contests in broncos being ridden to music. Other attractions of the fair will include exhibits and art shows, as well as some other shows that have been arranged.

A bronco rider is now being budgeted, so there will be something going on the scene in Tucumcari in the roundup, October 1, 2 and 3.

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Washington, Sept. 23.—Army board of inquiry recommended that a major general will be appointed to study tests of machine guns to be supplied to United States troops. The board will have authority to conduct experiments and tests to make recommendations to the war department. The board will investigate the merits of the Lewis gun, invented in 1911. Major Lewis, United States army, 100,000 once offered and then accepted by Great Britain, who is along it in the present war.

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